# **Genoa National Fish Hatchery**



## **Quick Facts**

- Genoa National Fish Hatchery was established in 1932
- Eight permanent staff
- Serves six Midwestern states
- Cooperates with state, tribal, and other Service hatcheries throughout the country
- Rears 23 species of fish to support high priority federal management, restoration and threatened and endangered species programs
- Serve as regional isolation facility
- Hatch and rear wild lake trout and coaster brook trout
- Supports fish recovery efforts in the Great Lakes and Upper Mississippi River
- Supplies fish/eggs for research, tribal and state cooperator programs
- Supplies juvenile and sub-adult mussels for toxicology and water quality tests.
- Cooperates with the Upper Midwest Environmental Science Center and other research groups to explore methods to control aquatic invasive species and fish diseases.

### **Public Use Opportunities**

- · Fishery education.
- Self-guided hatchery tours and visitation (5,000 annually).
- Guided tours and off-site presentations available.
- Open air ponds (17) and raceways (6) with some broadfish.
- Hatchery grounds are ranked in Top 10 area locations for bird watching by the La Crosse Chapter of the Audubon Society.
- Sense of Wonder Discovery Wetland offers 30 acres of wetlands to explore nature.
- Prevent the extinction of federally endangered fish and fresh water mussels through propagation.

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#### Directions

Genoa National Fish Hatchery is located approximately three miles south of Genoa, Wisconsin and approximately 25 miles south of La Crosse, Wisconsin on Highway 35. The hatchery is located on the west side of Highway 35 and well marked by a station sign

